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A visitor gets his picture taken with Winger, the Vancouver Whitecaps mascot, during Sunday's BC Place community weekend open house. Story, page 3. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

Woman falls to her death while hang gliding

Free fall. Woman grabbed onto tandem hang-glider guide's feet before plummet

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A woman, who detached from her tandem hang-glider guide Saturday just west of Agassiz, hung onto the pilot's feet in a last-ditch attempt before plunging 300 metres to her death.

Jason Warner, safety officer for the Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association of Canada, said the pilot recognized something wasn't right after the pair took off from Mount Woodside — a popular hang-gliding destination.

Lenami Godinez CONTRIBUTED

"After the takeoff they realized something was wrong," he said. "She then grabbed for him. She started falling, so she was holding onto him in a bear hug. He was trying to fly and grab her at the same time. Within 30 seconds she had (fallen)."

Fire and rescue crews recovered the body of the woman — identified as 27-year-old Lenami Godinez — 20 metres away from the pilot's shoe at around 7:30 p.m.

Godinez, who is originally from Mexico, lived in Canada for nine years and had worked as an administrator for the provincial government.

Upper Fraser Valley RCMP Sgt. Mark Pelz said police received a call shortly before noon that a woman, who had been riding on a tandem hang-glider, had fallen.

A struggle to seek revenge

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Injured hockey dad getting support from community

Condition. Realtor still in hospital after suffering neck injury during recreational hockey game

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Helping Richard Morrison's family is a no-brainer for Brent Silzer.

After all, his best friend of 20 years and co-worker is in hospital facing life in a wheelchair while his family faces economic uncertainty.

It's the fact complete strangers are helping out after the hockey dad suffered a debilitating injury during a recreational game April 21 that's amazed Silzer.

"It's really good to see, people really feel the connection with (Morrison's) family and a man who has fallen on hard luck," said Silzer. "I've heard so many amazing stories from people calling in the last few days. It's great to see the goodwill on a human level."

Morrison, 47, remains sedated in hospital after an incident at Burnaby's Eight Rinks that caused him to fall on the ice and slam into the boards.

Doctors have told family and friends Morrison, a realtor in White Rock, has no feeling in his legs and limited feeling in his arms, but it's too early to make an assessment of his permanent injuries.

Realizing the massive medical and lifestyle costs ahead, Silzer decided with a group of friends to set up a fund for the Morrison family, and the response has been immediate.

More than $10,000 has been raised for the family since Silzer's website, richardmorrisonfund.org, has gone live.

"You can't help but be compelled to help," Silzer said of his fundraising efforts. "None of us can know what his family is going through. He's such a good guy, how can you not do it?"

Silzer also plans to the use the website to update the public on Morrison's condition and recovery.

Richard Morrison is seen with his young children. CONTRIBUTED

Grizzlies bear witness to spring, following months of hibernation

Grizzly bears Grinder, left, and Coola play in the fog after emerging from their den after five months of hibernation at Grouse Mountain ski resort's wildlife refuge in North Vancouver on Friday. The two male bears were found orphaned in different areas of British Columbia in 2001. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Criminal. B.C. gangster killed in Mexico: RCMP

A B.C. gangster who police say had criminal connections across Canada and the world has been shot dead in Mexico.

RCMP Chief Supt. Dan Malo said Thomas Gisby was killed in a Starbucks in Nuevo Vallarta on Friday night.

He said police are now concerned about retaliation against enemies of the 50-year-old man who was from the Fraser Valley, east of Vancouver.

"We wanted to get our message to the community that this wasn't an individual who was simply on holidays," Malo said Saturday. "This is a well-known target, a well-known organized crime figure here in British Columbia."

Gisby led what police called the Gisby Crime Group, which was well connected to other criminal organizations, although Malo declined to name them.

"He has networks internationally to be able to bring illegal commodities into Canada for distribution," Malo said, adding guns and drugs were among the goods Gisby traded.

Mounties were aware that Gisby had travelled to Mexico, said Malo, who is in charge of the Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit.

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Former lawyers to help with pre-trial management

The provincial government aims to use former lawyers to improve the efficiency of the province's court system.

Supreme Court masters, former practising lawyers, who sit in court chambers and make decisions about pre-trial motions and procedural matters, will conduct trial-management conferences to plan how matters should be conducted and to keep on schedule.

The conferences aim to control costs and delays by more efficient scheduling of court cases and prioritizing a judge's time. METRO

Getting behind the scenes. The BC Place to be

Families and sports fans got a chance to run around the artificial turf and enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at the BC Place stadium during an open house over the weekend.

Visitors walked through the B.C. Lions and Vancouver Whitecaps locker rooms, and experienced standing under the new retractable roof, kicking a ball and throwing a pass on the teams' home turf.

Michael Fox, who saw the renovations for the first time and came with his daughter and wife, said it was great to see his two-and-a-half-year-old daughter Marissa running around and having fun.

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Quoted

"You wouldn't really ever get a chance to get onto the field. It's a good chance for the kids to try that stuff out." Michael Fox

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On the web

Channelling hope for a dolphin

A wayward dolphin that has spent three days in a narrow wetlands channel along the southern California coast was on its way out to the ocean Saturday when it suddenly turned tail and swam back to shallow waters. Watch at metronews.ca

Fifty Shades of steaminess with Ellen

While hundreds of readers flocked to book-signings and sold-out talks by Fifty Shades of Grey author E L James over the weekend, some are finding the novels hard to digest. Watch Ellen Degeneres read the steamy novel at metronews.ca.

Mobile news

Glimmers of hope are appearing in Haiti's devastated capital as hotels rise over a city still filled with displaced-persons camps housing hundreds of thousands. At least seven hotels are under construction or are in the planning stage in Port-au-Prince and its surrounding areas, which could soon be filled with investors and tourists. Scan the code for the story.

Quebec tuition war

Student group turns down revised fees offer

One of Quebec's most powerful student groups has shot down Premier Jean Charest's revised offer on tuition fees.

The C.L.A.S.S.E. student federation voted against Charest's proposal to stretch the tuition increase over seven years instead of five. Two other student groups are still debating.

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Harper government

Mulcair pushing for transparency

NDP Leader Tom Mulcair has vowed to lift the shroud of secrecy he believes has spread over Parliament Hill under the Harper government. When it comes to keeping public information under wraps, the Conservative government is "unlike any we've ever seen" in Canada, Mulcair told the annual convention of the Canadian Association of Journalists.

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Wildlife

Wolves returning to East Coast?

The sightings of two suspected wolves in Atlantic Canada in recent weeks has experts wondering why the animals may be in a region where they have not been seen for decades.

An 82-pound canine was shot in Newfoundland in early March. At the beginning of April, a 90-pound animal was shot in New Brunswick. The province's Natural Resources Department took samples for DNA testing.

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Highway collision

Alberta pastor and family die in crash

Members of a Fort McMurray church are grieving over the death of one of their pastors and two members of his family.

Shannon Wheaton, his wife Trena, and their youngest son Benjamin were among seven people killed when two pickup trucks collided head-on.

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Judges to weigh in on jury selection in aboriginal cases

Ontario Court of Appeal. No on-reserve First Nations were on juries that convicted two aboriginal men appealing their cases

The makeup of juries in Ontario goes on trial this week as two convicted killers fight their guilty verdicts in a case that goes to the heart of the justice system.

At issue before the province's top court is whether the aboriginal men were treated shabbily because on-reserve First Nations people were excluded from the juries that convicted them.

"Our society has proven to be very efficient at charging First Nations and jailing First Nations," said defence lawyer Julian Falconer.

"We don't seem so good at constructively involving First Nations in the justice system, such as their participation in the jury system," he said.

Last summer, the Ontario Court of Appeal upheld a manslaughter conviction against Clifford Kokopenace as reasonable.

However, in an unusual twist, the court put the ruling on hold in light of the constitutional challenge sparked by the jury-representation issue.

A non-aboriginal jury in Kenora, Ont., convicted Kokopenace in 2008 of stabbing a friend to death.

Also involved in the Court of Appeal hearing is Clare Spiers. He was convicted of first-degree murder in 2007 in Barrie for kidnapping a woman and slitting her throat. No on-reserve residents were among the people offered for his jury.

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High stakes

A Court of Appeal decision in the appellants' favour would have implications for how the Ministry of the Attorney General selects potential jurors. It might also offer grounds for similar court challenges.

- For its part, the Ontario government argues an accused has no "absolute right" to a representative jury.
- Ontario also argues that justice officials did their best to ensure representative juries but were stymied by privacy legislation and lack of co-operation by First Nations leaders.

Canadian on death row

Inmate to plead for life at hearing

The lone Canadian on death row in the United States is expected to make a plea for his life at his clemency hearing in Montana this week.

Ronald Smith, 54, has been on death row since 1982 after he and an accomplice, both high on drugs, marched Thomas Running Rabbit and Harvey Mad Man Jr. into the woods and shot both of them in the head.

It was a cold-blooded crime. They wanted to steal the men's car, but Smith also said he wanted to know what it was like to kill someone.

His is the final name on the list of 16 witnesses put forward by his attorneys for the two-day clemency hearing before the Montana Board of Pardons and Parole beginning Wednesday.

The hearing is being held near the penitentiary where Smith has spent the last three decades.

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Tamils in limbo after crackdown on Thai smugglers

All wars cause collateral damage.

Vashni is collateral damage in Canada's war on human smugglers.

The soft-spoken Tamil woman in her 30s lives one step ahead of the law in Thailand and longs to be reunited with her elderly parents in Toronto.

But she would never consider resorting to using one of the notorious smugglers who operate out of Bangkok to make that happen.

"I don't want to take that risk to myself," she explains.

Vashni, whose identity is not being revealed to protect her safety, exists in stateless limbo.

She and hundreds of other Sri Lankan Tamils are languishing in a shadowy netherworld within this teeming south Asian metropolis.

For the last two years, she's struggled to stay one step ahead of a Thai government that considers her an illegal migrant.

If she's sent back to her native Sri Lanka, she faces torture, imprisonment and perhaps death.

Vashni has been swept up by the bitter aftermath of her homeland's 26-year civil war that ended three years ago with the Singhalese majority crushing Tamil separatists. In the 1990s, she was conscripted — against her will she maintains —into the rebel Tamil Tigers, a group Canada considers terrorists.

She and hundreds of her fellow Sri Lankan Tamil migrants here in Thailand have also been swept up in another Canadian-led battle: the major international law enforcement offensive targeting Thailand-based human trafficking crime rings.

Canada launched the ambitious international effort to prevent smugglers from reaching our shores. In the meantime, people like Vashni are caught in limbo. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tamil migrant Vashni, whose identity cannot be revealed to protect her safety, is seen in Bangkok recently. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Illegal migrants'

Thailand doesn't recognize international refugee law, considering those like Vashni to be illegal migrants.

- They must apply to the UN for refugee status. If successful, they wait for a third country to grant them residency.
- The co-ordinated policing and political effort appears to have prevented another such ship from reaching Canada.

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Al-Qaida still dreaming of U.S. attack a year after leader's death: Officials

Bin Laden. U.S. citizens in Pakistan and beyond are being warned to be vigilant ahead of May 2 anniversary

A year after the U.S. raid that killed Osama bin Laden, al-Qaida is hobbled and hunted, too busy surviving for the moment to carry out another 9-11-style attack on U.S. soil.

But the terrorist network dreams still of payback, and U.S. counterterrorist officials warn that, in time, its offshoots may deliver.

A decade of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan that has cost the U.S. about $1.28 trillion and 6,300 U.S. troops' lives has forced al-Qaida's affiliates to regroup, from Yemen to Iraq.

Bin Laden's No. 2, Ayman al-Zawahri, is thought to be hiding, out of U.S. reach, in Pakistan's mountains, just as bin Laden was for so many years.

"It's wishful thinking to say al-Qaida is on the brink of defeat," says Seth Jones, a Rand analyst and adviser to U.S. special-operations forces. "They have increased global presence, the number of attacks by affiliates has risen, and in some places like Yemen, they've expanded control of territory."

U.S. officials say bin Laden's old team is all but dismantled. But they say new branches are hitting Western targets and U.S. allies overseas, and still aspire to match their parent organization's milestone of Sept. 11.

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Terrorism

U.S. counterterrorist forces have killed roughly half of al-Qaida's top-20 leaders since the raid that killed bin Laden.

- That includes U.S.-born cleric Anwar al-Awlaki, killed by a drone in Yemen last September, less than six months after bin Laden's death.
- Only a few of the original al-Qaida team remain, and most of the new names on the U.S. target lists are relative unknowns, officials say.

Re-building New York City's skyline

One World Trade Center towers above the Lower Manhattan skyline and Hudson River in New York in this March 26 file photo. The giant monolith, being built to replace the twin towers destroyed in the Sept. 11 attacks, will lay claim to the title of New York City's tallest skyscraper on Monday as workers erect steel columns that will make its unfinished skeleton a little over 1,250 feet. The so-called Freedom Tower isn't expected to reach its full height for at least another year, at which point it is likely to be declared the tallest building in the U.S. MARK LENNIHAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nigeria

Gunmen kill worshippers

Gunmen attacked worship services at a university campus and a church in northern Nigeria, killing at least 21 people in co-ordinated assaults that saw panicked Christians gunned down as they tried to flee, witnesses and officials said.

The deadlier attack targeted an old section of Bayero University's campus in the city of Kano where churches hold Sunday services, with gunmen killing at least 16 people and wounding at least 22 others, according to the Nigerian Red Cross.

A later attack in the northeast city of Maiduguri saw gunmen open fire at a Church of Christ in Nigeria chapel, killing five people, including a pastor preparing for Communion, witnesses said.

No group immediately claimed responsibility, but the attacks bore similarities to others carried by a radical Islamist sect known as Boko Haram.

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Boko Haram

The Islamist sect is waging a sectarian battle with Nigeria's central government.

- The sect has been blamed for killing more than 450 people this year alone, including Christians, Muslims and government officials.

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DNC List. Telemarketing firms to pay costs of violation investigations

Telemarketers will soon be asked to pony up for the costs of investigating their own industry.

The Conservatives are announcing that they will transfer the costs of probes and enforcement of the Do Not Call List to the industry itself.

The industry already pays for administering the Do Not Call List, which includes about 10.6 million registered phone and fax numbers.

"The government's taking steps to make sure it's sustainable in the long term and will not be funded by the taxpayers, but is instead funded by the telemarketers," said Mike Lake, parliamentary secretary to the industry minister.

Countering calls

- The CRTC will consult with the telemarketing companies this fall on how fees will be levied.
- It has imposed more than $2.1 million in fines over three years to firms that violated the rules.
- A recent survey suggested 78 per cent of Canadians on the DNC list felt they were getting fewer calls.

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SNC-Lavalin. Former executive arrested

A former executive of Canadian engineering giant SNC-Lavalin has been arrested in Switzerland.

A spokeswoman for the Swiss government says Riadh Ben Aissa is accused of fraud and corruption.

Jacqueline Buhlman said in an email to the Canadian Press that the allegations are in connection with alleged business dealings in northern Africa, but wouldn't comment further.

Aissa was the executive vice-president of construction, but parted ways with the company this year along with another SNC executive.

The departures coincided with the results of an internal company investigation into $35 million of payments that SNC said breached its code of ethics.

SNC has been the subject of two RCMP raids on its offices in the past seven months as the Mounties looked for evidence on the mysterious payments.

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Yahoo. Ex-CEO made out like bandit: Documents

Former Yahoo CEO Carol Bartz received a compensation package valued at $16.4 million US in her final year on the job, including a $3 million severance payment after the troubled Internet company abruptly fired her last September.

Former Yahoo CEO Carol Bartz JUSTIN SULLIVAN/GETTY IMAGES FILE

Bartz, 63, stands to make even more from the nearly 386,000 shares of restricted stock and nearly 416,000 stock options that vested upon her ouster, according to a Friday regulatory filing from Yahoo Inc.

She also could still reap a windfall from 5 million stock options that she received when the company hired her in January 2009.

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Facebook's co-founder back in the startup game

Dustin Moskovitz, co-founder of the collaborative software company Asana, outside his office in San Francisco. ERIC RISBER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tech trends. Having seen his code change the world once before, Dustin Moskovitz aims high again with new software company

Facebook co-founder and former Mark Zuckerberg roommate Dustin Moskovitz is by many accounts the world's youngest self-made billionaire. But the 27-year-old isn't sipping champagne in the Caribbean.

Instead, he's thrown himself back into San Francisco's startup mix, even as Facebook's looming IPO seems likely to send his wealth spiralling even higher.

Moskovitz and his friend Justin Rosenstein, a former Facebooker himself worth $150 million, head a company called Asana, which just launched the first paid version of its online project management service.

During a recent interview at their inconspicuous Mission District offices, the pair said they come to work every day because, their fortunes already made, they still have to do something with their lives.

"When we think of work, we think of work as an act of service, as an act of love for humanity," said Rosenstein, 28.

In keeping with the recent startup trend of shunning hierarchies, the pair do not have separate offices, but sit among the other employees at Asana, who number 24 in all.

Whether Asana's world-changing potential exceeds that of competitors in the crowded project and task management software marketplace remains to be seen. Like other similar products, their software lets users set up Web-based to-do lists that any group focused on a common goal can use to assign jobs and keep track of what gets done.

Several marquee tech companies have embraced Asana, the company reports, such as Twitter, LinkedIn and Foursquare. Individual backers betting on Asana include venture-capital celebrities like Peter Thiel and Mark Andreessen, as well as several of Facebook's earliest employees.

To hear Moskovitz tell it, the choice of coming to the office doesn't come at the expense of some wished-for life of luxury: "We're fortunate not to have things that would distract us from being able to act."

Work ethic

"If we were just retired, we wouldn't be serving anyone."

Dustin Moskovitz, Facebook co-founder and head of Asana, a new project-management startup

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Smartphone crown in dispute

Smartphones are the hottest gadgets in the world. But who's the biggest smartphone maker? We don't really know.

Samsung, Apple's chief competitor, gives only vague indications of how many it makes, which means industry watchers come up with widely diverging estimates. Apple reports its iPhone sales down to the thousands. In the January to March period, it shipped 35,0654,000. South Korea's Samsung Electronics Co. may have sold 32 million, 37.5 million or 44.5 million, depending on which analyst you believe. The company itself won't say.

When it reported first-quarter results Friday morning, Samsung said only that overall phone shipments were down more than 10 per cent from the fourth quarter, and that smartphone sales were about the same percentage of the company's overall sales as they have been before.

Analysts are applying these vague hints to their own estimates. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Vancouver is becoming a sky city.

It's all about the views from on high. Triumphantly, you command a 360-degree panorama of Stanley Park, English Bay, the city skyscrapers, the Downtown Eastside. Well, three out of four isn't bad.

The trouble with a sky city is that, with the exception of a few lucky penthouse dwellers, the rest of us have to get our kicks at ground level, where pizza-by-the-slice joints duke it out with paycheque predators.

The sky is infinite. The streets are mean.

Which is why we should applaud the dedication of Emery Barnes Park. Nestled amidst the sky towers of Yaletown, it's a little urban jewel that restores a patch of Shangri-La to the street. All puns, references, sly digs, etc., apply.

It took the city a long time to get around to finishing Emery Barnes Park. But it is worth waiting for. Nestled between Davie, Richards and Seymour, it was built in three phases, starting in 2003, and finally finished with its dedication on Saturday, at a noonday celebration. There was cake.

Emery Barnes, for those newbies in town, was at one time a newbie himself. He came to B.C. from Oregon to play football for the Lions, and was on an early Grey Cup-winning team back in 1964. But he was just getting started. He ran for the NDP and was elected to the legislature in 1972. He and Rosemary Brown were the first elected black politicians in the province. He was the first black Speaker of the House.

Who he was

Barnes was a pioneer in another way: Back in 1986, he was the first politician to try living on welfare for a month, and lost 30 pounds in the process, clearing a path for imitators to follow, including NDP MLA Jagrup Brar, the most recent welfare tourist, earlier this year.

Barnes was a pioneer in another way: Back in 1986, he was the first politician to try living on welfare for a month, and lost 30 pounds in the process, clearing a path for imitators to follow, including NDP MLA Jagrup Brar, the most recent welfare tourist, earlier this year.

Barnes was a big guy — six-foot-six, 235 — when he prowled the defensive line for the Lions. His daughter, Constance, now the chair of the Vancouver Park Board, looked up to her dad and saw his "huge" soul. He had a big mind too: Because he liked to play chess, there are chess boards at Emery Barnes Park.

Everything about Emery Barnes may have been big, except his park. In a city with not one but two thousand-plus-acre parks, this one hardly seems to rate. But in a city that also has the capacity to make you feel small, here's a place where even the little people get to breathe easy and stand tall.

Thanks, big guy.

First year of marriage a '10 out of 10'

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Royal

Britain's sweethearts still adored worldwide

It's been a year since they declared their love for each other in the most anticipated wedding of the decade, but 12 months haven't been enough to quell the public passion for the newest royal couple.

Prince William and Kate spent their first year as newlyweds under the sort of global spotlight usually reserved for Hollywood a-listers.

The couple retreated from the spotlight after their nuptials, only to re-emerge with greater star power than ever on their first visit abroad. The newlyweds' nine-day, whirlwind tour of Canada, observers say, showed the couple off at their best.

Their more informal attitudes set the tone for the trip as they freely mingled with rapturous crowds, participated in Canadian sports such as street hockey and faced off against one another in a dragon boat race. Kate's now legendary fashion sense was also on full display as she modeled outfits from homegrown designers and even donned the national colours in honour of Canada Day.

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Anniversary

"They've covered all the bases. They've had an international trip, they've had local visits, work with charitable causes. They've engaged in their work roles admirably. I think you could really give them a 10 out of 10 when it comes to their performance over the first year."

Rafal Heydel-Mankoo
Royal commentator

Observers say:

- Much of Kate's behaviour is the result of lessons learned in the aftermath of previous broken royal marriages.
- William's mother, Diana, and former aunt, Sarah Ferguson, both complained about feeling isolated and overwhelmed in their first years of marriage to royalty. Kate has received extensive coaching on maintaining a balance between public and private responsibilities.

Weird news

Want to buy a town in Georgia? Developer looks to sell

A developer in south Georgia is looking for someone to buy a small town.

Toomsboro, a small community with about 700 residents, has one convenience store, a florist, a custom cabinet shop and a post office. The Coastal Courier reports that developer David Bumgardner, who owns many of the properties in town, is putting them on the market.

Bumgardner bought some of the properties from preservationist Bill Lucado and snagged others at an auction about a decade ago with the intention of turning Toomsboro into a quaint tourist town.

But his plans changed. Now Bumgardner and Lucado are putting the town up for sale again. Lucado thinks it would be a perfect fit for a movie production company seeking a set or a music company looking for a great venue.

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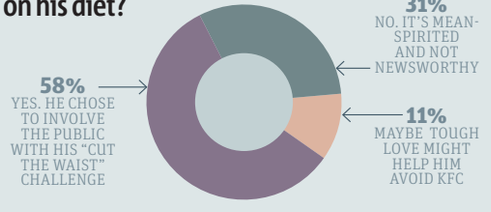
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Twitter

@charliedemers: You know the phrase 'Drop trou,' for 'to drop one's trousers'? I've been trying to get 'hop show,' for 'hop in the shower,' off the ground.

@CooperQuinn_WY: Just stopped by the @Dogwood-Rescue event at Bosley's in Yaletown. Looks like its going to to be a good one, lots of cute dogs. #Vancouver

@vanfoodster: Spot Prawn season kicks off in Vancouver this week! Yay!

@oldvilch: Men of #Vancouver you are looking fine this morning.

@VanCanucks: Vote Cory! It's Brodeur vs. Schneider in TSN's Play of the Year. Can we do it? http://v.canucks.com/IBB72N #Canucks #Vancouver

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Daniel Craig stars in Skyfall. HANDOUT

Get ready for more Bond

007 is back. Metro talks to the film's producer and star in the first of a three-part series on the upcoming Bond flick

KIERON MONKS
Metro World News in Buckinghamshire

"Not bad for a physical wreck, James," the villain taunts, as Her Majesty's finest spy rains Walther PPK bullets at him. "You should see my latest toy," he laughs, and an explosion tears through the subway station.

Welcome to Skyfall, Bond 23. At Pinewood Studios in leafy Buckinghamshire, shooting is nearly complete on the latest edition of cinema's longest-running franchise, 50 years after Dr. No introduced us to Mr. Kiss Kiss Bang Bang.

There is a sense of relief on set as, four years after Quantum of Solace, a troubled production nears a happy ending. Studio MGM's bankruptcy delayed filming for a year, an anxious wait for the cast and crew.

"It was driving us crazy," says producer Barbara Broccolli. "It would have been very disappointing not to have a film in our anniversary year. We just kept being focused and kept working."

Eventually the financial problems were resolved by a partnership with Sony, and now that the light of Skyfall's November release is in sight, James Bond himself — Daniel Craig — is feeling confident. "This sets a new benchmark," the 44-year-old said. "The talent that we managed to pool in this movie is just phenomenal."

The delay allowed time for an A-list cast to be recruited on both sides of the camera. American Beauty Oscar-winner Sam Mendes directs, with Javier Bardem and Ralph Fiennes among the new stars.

Despite the injection of heavyweight talent, Craig says fans of the all-action series need not worry the movie will be too serious. "Sam's a boy. He likes to blow shit up." Pyrotechnic sequences to watch out for include a subway train destroying an underground set and a gun-fight in a hall of mirrors.

Plot details have been highly classified, but Sony has revealed that MI6 comes under attack, and that Judi Dench's M is somehow responsible.

Bardem plays the criminal mastermind Raoul Silva who leads the assault on Bond and the secret service. Advance shots reveal the targets include Bond's home — Skyfall lodge, seen for the first time in the series' history.

Typically exotic locations include Istanbul and Shanghai, and 007 will have his hands full keeping three stunning Bond girls happy. British singer Adele is likely to perform the theme song. "It would be great if she would do it," Broccolli said.

Leading ladies

Pick up tomorrow's Metro to find out what happened to some of our favourite Bond Girls from the past and we'll introduce you to 007's newest lady. Go online to metronews.ca/features for our complete look at 50 years of James Bond movies.

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Scene in brief

Avengers living up to the buzz

The superhero saga The Avengers is living up to its blockbuster buzz with $178.4 million in overseas ticket sales days before it opens in U.S. theatres.

Domestic audiences seem to be in anticipation mode for the movie, which debuts Friday in the United States after launching in 39 other countries a week earlier.

Fans generally passed on a bunch of new flicks, leaving the ensemble comedy Think Like a Man at No. 1 domestically for the second-straight weekend with $18 million.

Four movies were bunched up for the No. 2 spot in the $11 million range: animated comedy The Pirates! Band of Misfits, romantic drama The Lucky One, blockbuster The Hunger Games, and romantic comedy The Five-Year Engagement.

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On the web

Glee star Chris Colfer writes his ticket in Hollywood with films, books and a Disney pilot

M. Ward records first solo album in three years

M. Ward poses for a photo during the SXSW Music Festival in Austin on March 13. JACK PLUNKETT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Wasteland Companion. Musician takes a different approach on his latest album, mixing live and studio recordings

For much of his career, M. Ward has recorded his solo albums pretty much the same way. So when it came time to make A Wasteland Companion, his first solo album in three years, he wanted to do something very different.

The recording sessions took the 38-year-old on a musical journey of sorts. He recorded in eight studios in places like Austin, Omaha, New York City and Bristol, England, and each new place brought him in contact with a new list of players, including long-time influences like former Sonic Youth drummer Steve Shelley and British producer John Parish.

"Everyone has their own ways of making what they do for a living exciting, ways of keeping it alive," Ward said. And for me, it's collaborations with really talented people."

Musical partnerships are nothing new for Ward. He and actress Zooey Deschanel have put out three albums as the duo She & Him and he's also a member of the Monsters of Folk project with Jim James and Conor Oberst.

Did your busy schedule require you to record on the road?

Ward: Over the last 10 years I've (been invited) to these incredible studios all over Europe and America and I never have time to actually do it. So this was the record where I actually made the time to make that happen and just removed my security blanket of recording in the same room all the time.

I loved the process and I hope to make more records like this. I wanted to make a new kind of record that combines live record with studio record out of an experiment ... So it's a new kind of record, really. I plan to make a lot more records like this, when I do make more records.

Is there any question you'd make more?

Ward: I would assume there would be more, but whenever you make a record you just never know. The world's going to end, right? Who knows?

Do you find it hard to make time for your own projects. Are you jealously guarding your solo time?

Ward: No, because I've been writing songs since I was 15, so half my life really. With She & Him, that's a really big part of my time and my life. But Zooey writes the songs for that and we work on cover songs together and I'm just the producer and guitar player. So for my own songs, they all come under the umbrella of this record. Monsters of Folk, we get together once every few years, so my records and She & Him records are the most constant sources of record production.

Was there anyone particularly inspiring?

Ward: Steve Shelley springs to mind. I've loved Sonic Youth since I was in high school so it was a dream come true to play songs with him in the studio. He's just an incredible drummer. He has a signature maraca and full drum kit sound that he can do that I've never seen anybody do. And then in England, I worked with a guy named John Parrish, who worked with PJ Harvey — incredible drummer, incredible marimba player.

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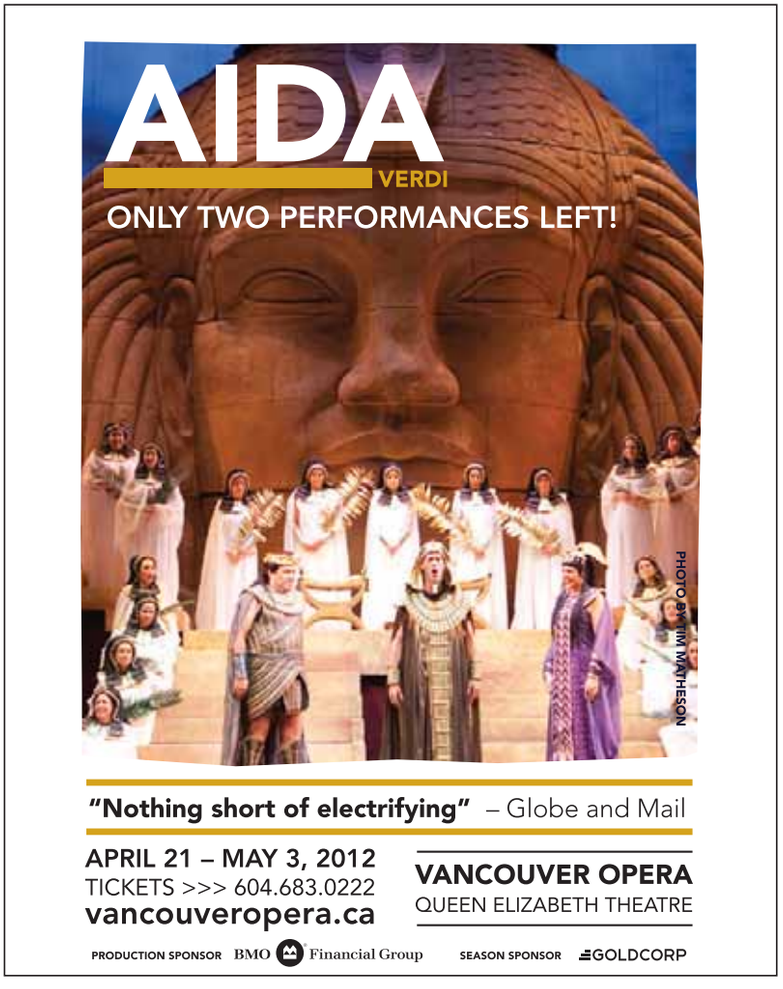

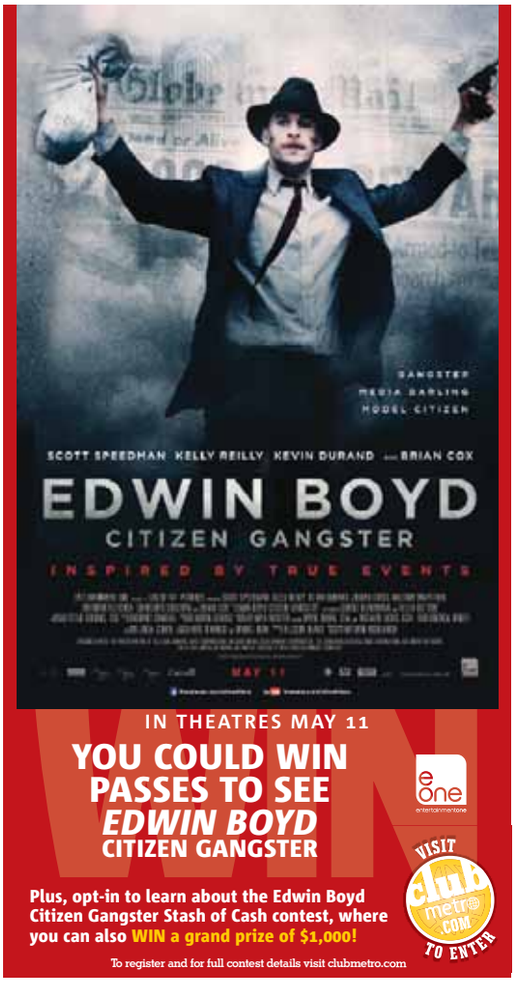
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A weekend of renewing wedding vows, celebrity-style

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Are you a celebrity couple who needs a good reason to send out a press release? But you don't feel like 1) Announcing a pregnancy or 2) Getting a divorce? Then just renew your wedding vows! It's a surefire way to get some attention thrown your way.

First up this weekend? Mariah Carey and Nick Cannon renewed their vows Friday at the Eiffel Tower in Paris. Spokeswoman Cindi Berger said the couple celebrated with an "intimate ceremony after a romantic dinner at the beautiful Jules Verne restaurant." I love how "intimate" these days refers to having a hoard of photographers on the scene — as well as a publicist.

Not to be outdone, LeAnn Rimes and Eddie Cibrian renewed their vows on a romantic trip to Calabasas, Calif., on Friday.

"We renewed our vows today ... it's incredible to thank each other for the past year as husband and wife," Rimes tweeted. "Here's to another great year!"

You know, it's probably bad form to be so cynical. After all, with the way Hollywood marriages last, recognizing any amount of time together without getting divorced should be celebrated.

Why Charlize is still single

Ever wonder why a stunner like Charlize Theron is still single? She (jokingly) blames Tom Hanks and Daryl Hannah (as well as the state of the movie-making industry) for a lack of a wedding ring.

"If I knew that 3D was going to be such a big deal, I would have gotten that boob job 10 years ago," Theron quipped while accepting a Distinguished Decade of Achievement in Film award at CinemaCon last week, according to Us Weekly. She also took a moment to celebrate the power of movies.

"I think we really learn from these stories," she said. "I mean, I learned everything about love watching Splash. That's why I'm still single, so thanks, Tom Hanks and Daryl Hannah for that."

Bieber's comments land him in trouble

Justin Bieber is under fire in Indonesia after some offhand remarks he made about the country, where he recorded a track on his new album.

During an event in London last week, Bieber said the song was recorded in "some random country" where "they didn't know what they were doing." And now folks in Indonesia are striking back: this weekend, North Sumatra teen pop radio station KISS 105 FM banned Bieber's music, according to the Jakarta Post.

"His tone was very condescending and he is just a 19-year-old boy. This is a country with more than 200 million citizens," Kiss FM executive producer Anggi Simanjuntak says, while one of the station's on-air personalities says the ban would be lifted if Bieber "apologized in a sweet manner and promised not to say such things about Indonesia again."

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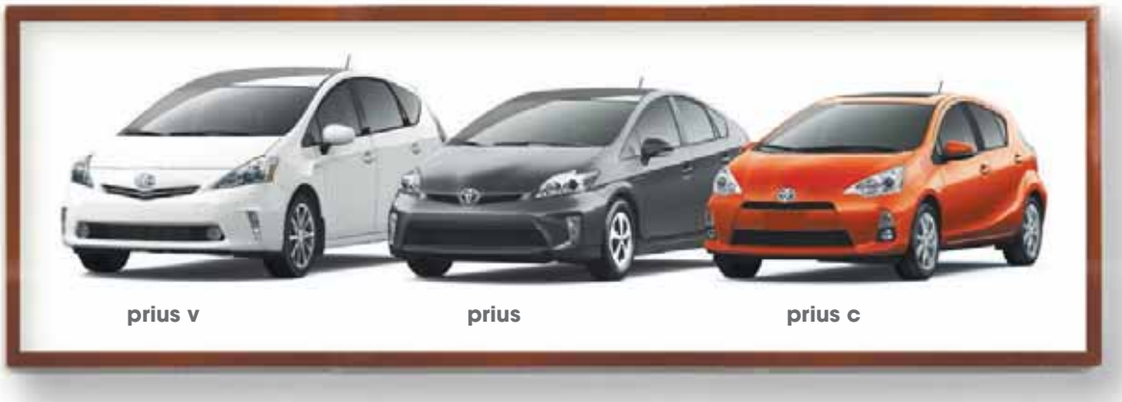

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Guidelines

Cancer survivors

The American Cancer Society is recommending that cancer survivors exercise more and improve their diets to help prevent the disease from coming back.

On Thursday, the society released new guidelines, saying there's now enough evidence to strongly recommend physical activity and better nutrition for survivors.

The message: For many cancers, maintaining a healthy weight, exercising and eating a healthy diet can reduce the risk that cancer will return.

At least two other organizations have issued similar advice.

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On the Web

University creates splash in medical world with new surgery simulation centre

Use websites as a tool to foster activities, not as a babysitter, says Krista Swanson of yummymummyclub.ca. ISTOCK

Clicking for little hands

Internet. More websites are being geared to children

DELIA MACPHERSON
Metro News

Are they safe? Are they educational? Do we really want to encourage our kids to hang out in front of a computer screen all day?

Krista Swanson, a blogger for yummymummyclub.ca, says computing for a kid is a new reality.

"We can't say kids 'shouldn't' be on the computer because other kids are," says Swanson, "As long as you know they're safe."

The mother of a five-year-old boy says she stills thinks parents should "limit screen time."

And there really is no "right" amount of time either, says Swanson.

Parents have to know their kids and their kids' limits to determine a healthy amount of time to be in front of a computer, she adds.

It's easy for kids to become obsessed with an activity if they really like it, be it reading, sports or surfing the web, Swanson says

"When they are on the computer, you don't just walk away," says Swanson. "Use it as a tool to build conversations or foster activities. Don't just use it as a babysitter."

One kids' website that meets Swanson's approval is totallyrandom.ca, a new (and Canadian!) site targeting kids aged seven to 11.

"Totally Random introduces kids to editing digital media and safe social networking," says Chelsea O'Connor, the production manager for totallyrandom.ca. "We give the kids challenges on the website so they have a starting point for their creativity."

The site combines television broadcasts hosted by three kids with interactive computer gaming.

Kids create a profile with an avatar name and animation. They have access to a number of creative tools to create and edit artwork, or they can watch Totally Random "episodes" online.

Swanson says totallyrandom.ca is colourful and easy for kids to figure out.

"One of the great things about Totally Random is there's no way for them to accidentally click off the site," says Swanson. "Some of the more 'cheaply done' sites have advertisements that may not apply to kids.

Even if some of the games kids end up playing on the computer are mindless, Swanson says there is educational value in everything. Kids are still practicing motor skills by interacting with the computer and mouse, the same way they might learn those skills from playing board games.

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Deep-fried-vegetarian delights make perfect appy

This recipe serves six as a starter. THE CANADIAN PRESS HANDOUT

Blue Cheese Fritters.
Serve these tasty bites hot with salad and a fruit coulis

A fritter is food, either savoury or sweet, that has been coated in batter and deep-fried.

These blue cheese fritters are best when they're served hot with salad leaves and a fruit coulis.

If you're serving this Blue Cheese Fritters recipe as a main dish, it'll make enough fritters for four people.

1. In a medium pan, add water and butter and bring to a boil; stir in flour, beating well until mixture forms a thick consistency which starts to coat the sides of the pan.

2. Remove from heat and gradually beat in eggs. Let cool until just warm and then add cheeses and seasoning.

3. Heat sufficient oil to allow for deep frying, then drop spoonfuls of batter into hot oil and cook until puffed and golden. Cook up to 4 fritters at a time.

4. Drain and serve hot.

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Ingredients

- 300 ml (1 1/4 cups) water
- 125 ml plus 15 ml (1/2 cup plus 1 tbsp) butter
- 250 ml (1 cup) all-purpose flour, sifted
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 100 g (3 1/2 oz) mellow blue cheese, roughly chopped
- 100 g (3 1/2 oz) fontina cheese, grated
- Salt and black pepper, to taste
- Oil, for frying

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Beef Chili

204 calories/ 3 g fat
Normally, beef chili has excess calories and fat but Druxy's uses more vegetables than beef, making this a great lunch item.

Equivalent

One Druxy's Tomato Red Pepper Bisque is equal to four McCain three-cheese mini pizzas in fat.

A sweet way to sustain Africa

Chocolatey charity.
Cadbury rallying Canadians to help send bicycles to those who need them most

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Bicycles give students in Ghana better access to schools. Get involved and donate a bike. HANDOUT

A little thing here can make a huge difference somewhere else. That's the simple thought behind The Bicycle Factory, an innovative plan by Cadbury to send bicycles to Africa.

"We rally Canadians to help build bicycles for rural cocoa-growing communities in Ghana," says Aditi Burman, senior promotions manager at Kraft Foods, parent company of Cadbury.

"It's an interactive website — thebicyclefactory.ca — and what people do is they click on Cadbury product icons and turn them into bike parts. Every 100 parts turn into a real bike, until we reach this year's goal of 5,000 bikes."

The idea is to help sustain the farming communities that grow the most essential raw material for Cadbury's chocolate.

"The bikes go to middle-school students who live three-to-ten kilometres away from their school," she explains. "So it actually helps to increase access to education. These students are at the highest risk of dropping out of school, because they live too far away. Cadbury has been very active in Ghana, to help the communities in many different ways."

Often, we think of sustainability in terms of natural resources. Here's a chance to apply that same important principle directly to the future of some bright, clever, curious kids.

"It's a different, deeper level of sustainability. What we ultimately want to do is sustain the livelihood of our cocoa growers. This is another way in which we can do it."

Burman notes that a bicycle means something very different in Ghana than it does here in Canada.

"Canadians think about bikes for fun, fitness and fresh air, and they're great for the environment, of course. Our relation with bikes is really as an alternative to a car. But in places like rural Africa, bikes are actually an alternative to walking. It's a basic mobility issue."

One lucky Bicycle Factory builder will have a chance to experience all this first-hand.

"The grand prize is that someone will actually have the chance to deliver the bicycles in Ghana. There's a lot of fun things going on."

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By the numbers

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Success in the sun: Business looks bright for entrepreneur

Quebec to the Caribbean. Pierre Ferland has arrived

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Pierre Ferland smiles as he walks through his restaurant in St. Maarten, greeting and talking to customers in English and French. He waves to the police chief who has come in for lunch and stops to help a busy waiter.

Pineapple Pete's is an island hotspot.

Born on a farm outside of Quebec City, Pierre started his own business at the age of nine selling fishing worms, and with his savings went on to put himself through university.

With a love for the hospitality industry his travels took him all the way to the Caribbean.

"It was a feeling when I landed. I just loved St. Maarten".

The year was 1996 and today he is the proud owner of five businesses on the island employing over 80 people.

"Self-discipline is the only thing that will get you through.

You also have to learn how to control being homesick so I fly home a lot," he says with a smile.

Ferland also gives back to the island supporting local churches, charities, sports teams, musicians and authors.

"I was helped, so now I give back because I like to see people succeed."

Pierre Ferland is affectionally referred to as Head Pineapple by his St. Maarten staff. PROVIDED

World wise

On being successful in another country:

- Do your homework and learn about the market, the labour force, work permits and taxes.
- Choose a business you have experience in because you can't rely on someone to run it for you.
- Check your supplies and adapt to what you can get in your geographic region.
- Have self-discipline and stay away from tourist temptations like gambling and drugs.
- Balance your family life with work. I give 200 per cent every time I'm here but I have two kids and I just want to be a perfect dad.

Tricks of the travel

"Self-discipline is the only thing that will get you through. You also have to learn how to control being homesick so I fly home a lot."

Pierre Ferland

Olympics

Lifetime bans ruled unlawful

A person familiar with the ruling said Sunday that Britain's last attempt to keep former doping offenders off its Olympic teams has failed, with the Court of Arbitration for Sport declaring the lifetime bans unlawful. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MLB

Encarnacion powers Jays past Mariners

Edwin Encarnacion homered for the third straight day and Henderson Alvarez pitched six-plus innings for his first win of the season as the Toronto Blue Jays defeated the Seattle Mariners 7-2 on Sunday at Rogers Centre. Encarnacion hit a grand slam Saturday and a solo shot Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Edwin Encarnacion
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NBA

Parker's offence leads Spurs to win

Tony Parker scored 28 points and the San Antonio Spurs won their first playoff opener in four years, beating the Utah Jazz 106-91 in Game 1 of their first-round series Sunday.
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Tennis

"This is the hardest match I had on clay court this season."

Rafael Nadal, who became the first player in the Open Era to win two tournaments seven times after beating David Ferrer 7-6 (1), 7-5 in Sunday's Barcelona Open final.

Briere kicks it into high gear

NHL. Crafty centre's legend in Philadelphia continues to grow after coming through for Flyers in overtime

Game 1

Flyers	Devils
4	3

Danny Briere had two chances to celebrate his overtime winner.

The first time, his goal didn't count.

The second time, Briere left no doubt and put away Game 1, once and for all.

Briere continued to stamp his name alongside Philadelphia's post-season greats, scoring the winning goal 4:36 into overtime, leading the Flyers to a 4-3 win over the New Jersey Devils on Sunday to open this Eastern Conference semifinal series.

"He has his ups and downs, but he just picks it up in the playoffs. And that's what matters," Flyers coach Peter Laviolette said. "He's a guy who consistently gets it done."

Indeed, no Flyer is as clutch in the post-season as Briere.

His second attempt at the winner came minutes after his earlier goal was overturned on review because he kicked the puck into the net. But he wasted no time making up for it, firing a slapper past Martin Brodeur for his seventh goal of the playoffs. Brodeur was screened in front by Philadelphia forward James van Riemsdyk.

"When you look at the replay, it's kind of obvious," Briere said of the reversal. "But I needed to stop pouting and get back my focus in overtime. I ended up getting a break."

In doing so, Briere, who also scored in the second period, now has 106 points in 104 career post-season games.

"Is it pressure? I think it's fun," he said of playoff hockey. "When I have the opportunity, like I've had the past few years here, I try to take advantage of the opportunities."

The Flyers took the series lead in their first game in a week after eliminating Pittsburgh in Game 6 last Sunday. The weary Devils, meanwhile, played their third consecutive overtime game after defeating Florida in Games 6 and 7 to win their first-round series.

"I thought we played real well in the first," New Jersey coach Peter DeBoer said. "We just couldn't keep it up."
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Flyers centre Danny Briere celebrates his overtime goal against the Devils on Sunday in Philadelphia. ALEX BRANDON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Between the pipes

Bryzgalov tops Brodeur in opener

Flyers fans who have suffered through decades of goaltending woes took great delight in chanting "Mar-ty! Mar-ty!" at goaltender Martin Brodeur.

The three-time Stanley Cup champion has faced the Flyers four other times in the post-season, winning two.

Opposing Brodeur was Ilya Bryzgalov, who had two shutouts and won all three starts versus the Devils in the regular season. He allowed one goal on 76 shots.

Bryzgalov made 23 saves to Brodeur's 32 in Game 1.

Brodeur will celebrate his 40th birthday next Sunday when the teams play Game 4 in New Jersey.
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4 SPORTS

Whitecaps

In my opinion he is one of the best players in the league. He's a superstar, basically. Everywhere we go fans are following him. He's an all-star."

Whitecaps head coach Martin Rennie on Young-Pyo Lee, who scored his first Major League Soccer goal in the 74th minute of Vancouver's 1-0 win over Columbus Crew on Saturday night. The South Korean defender is a veteran of three World Cups and the top leagues in the Netherlands, Italy, England and Germany. He signed with MLS and joined Vancouver in December.

On the web

Washington's Alexander Semin, who was stellar in a first-round upset of the Boston Bruins, skated on the fourth line in practice on Sunday after taking some ill-advised penalties in the Capitals' Game 1 loss to the New York Rangers. Scan the code for the story

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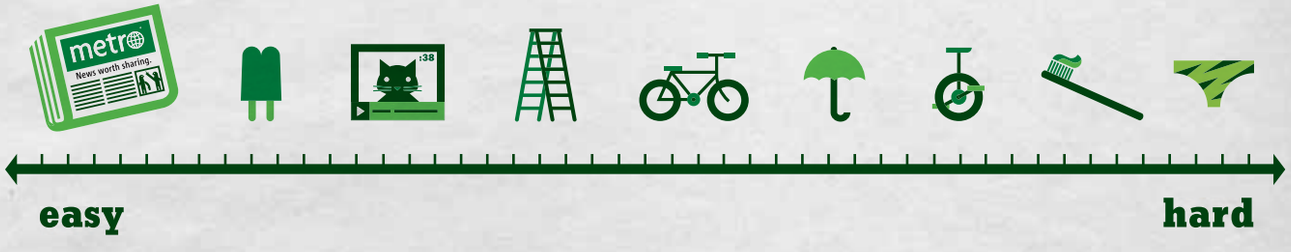

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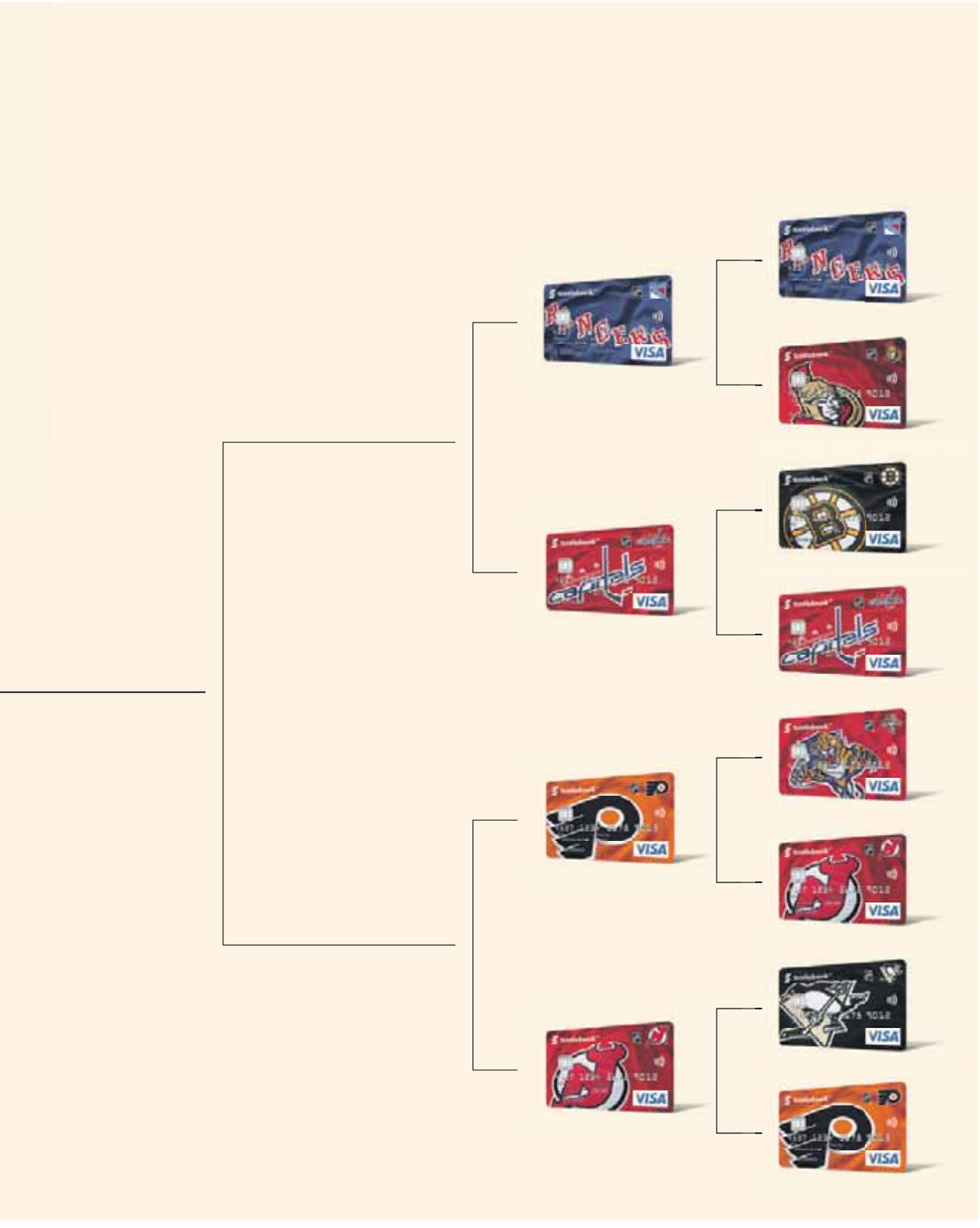

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Antoine Vermette celebrates his goal Sunday in Glendale, Ariz. CHRISTIAN PETERSEN/GETTY IMAGES

Coyotes rack up 2-0 lead on Preds

NHL. Phoenix pleased after playing 'best 60 minutes' of playoffs

The Phoenix Coyotes didn't need any overtime theatrics or miracle saves from Mike Smith.

With five players scoring in a balanced, dominant performance Sunday night, the Coyotes beat the Nashville Predators 5-3 to take a 2-0 lead in the Western Conference semifinal series.

Shane Doan, Radim Vrbata, Antoine Vermette and Martin Hanzal each had a goal and an assist, and Taylor Pyatt also scored.

"This is the best 60 minutes we've played in the playoffs, for sure," Coyotes coach Dave Tippett said. "Just solid throughout."

Quoted

"Tonight was more Coyotes-style hockey, the way we are capable of playing. We just raised the bar for ourselves."
Coyotes goalie Mike Smith

Ryan Suter, Patric Hornqvist and Andrei Kostitsyn scored for the Predators.

Phoenix scored three times on 19 second-period shots. The Coyotes built a two-goal lead early in the second period. Nashville twice cut it to one only to see Phoenix quickly respond.

The Coyotes avoided overtime for only the second time in eight playoff games.

The best-of-seven series shifts to Nashville for Game 3 on Wednesday night.

Keith Yandle had two assists for Phoenix. Ray Whitney, who scored in overtime in Phoenix's 4-3 victory in Game 1 on Friday night, had one.

Nashville coach Barry Trotz said his team has been outscored 8-3 in 5-on-5 situations.

"Look at a lot of the goals, there's people staring at the puck and not taking anybody," he said, "and that's not going to win you anything."

After being outshot 42-24 in Game 1, the Coyotes had a playoff-high 39 shots to Nashville's 33 in Game 2. The Coyotes knew how fortunate they were to escape with that Game 1 victory and weren't about to have a repeat performance.

"This is the way we want to play," Vrbata said. "This is the way we think we will be successful."

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NBA

Lakers run the show in Game 1

Kobe Bryant scored 31 points, Andrew Bynum posted the Lakers' first playoff triple-double in 21 years with an NBA post-season record-tying 10 blocked shots, and Los Angeles thoroughly controlled the tempo in a playoff-opening 103-88 victory over the Denver Nuggets on Sunday.

Bynum, the Lakers' all-star centre coming off his best regular season, also had 10 points and 13 rebounds while incredibly blocking 11 per cent of the Nuggets' 90 shots.

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NBA. Clippers claw back 27-point gap to win Game 1

Chris Paul hit a pair of free throws with 23 seconds left, and the Los Angeles Clippers rallied from 27 down to beat the Memphis Grizzlies 99-98 Sunday night in the first game of the Western Conference series.

Rudy Gay missed a 15-footer with 0.9 seconds left after the Grizzlies squandered a lead they held for the first 47 minutes. The Clippers lost Caron Butler to a broken left hand. But Nick Young scored 19 points off the bench, including three 3-pointers in the midst of the Clippers' 26-1 run.

The Clippers outscored the Grizzlies 35-13 in the fourth quarter, the most points in the fourth quarter by a Memphis opponent this season.

Reggie Evans celebrates Sunday in Memphis, Tenn. ANDY LYONS/GETTY IMAGES

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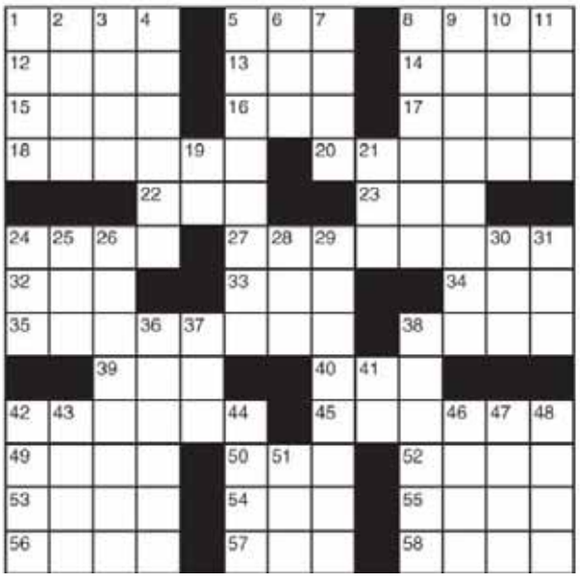
Crossword

Across

1 Radio's Limbaugh
5 Tackle moguls
8 Scratches (out)
12 Sweet sandwich
13 Stashed
14 Wield the shears
15 Poi base
16 Praise in verse
17 Dagwood's boss's wife
18 Reverend, e.g.
20 Long-legged shorebird
22 Request
23 Annoy
24 Youngest
27 List-condensing phrase
32 Web address
33 Kind of pron.
34 Operated
35 "She — Conquer"
38 "SportsCenter" channel
39 IRS worker
40 Western st.
42 Dervishes
45 Jacks
49 Cruising
50 Idolater's emotion
52 Up to
53 Gossip
54 Supporting
55 Otherwise
56 Relaxation
57 USNA grad
58 Out of play

Down

1 Coll. mil. org.
2 Caspian Sea feeder
3 Withered
4 "Yippee!"
5 Lurid novels
6 Tease
7 Concept
8 Date, e.g.
9 Door hardware
10 Green land
11 Lovers' quarrel
19 "— not!"
21 Compete
24 Clear the tables
25 Illustrations
26 Ball-carrier's allies
28 Asian holiday
29 1995 Harvey Keitel movie
30 Eminem's genre
31 Raggedy one?
36 Narcotic
37 Standard
38 On cloud nine
41 Indefinite article
42 Disappear gradually
43 Actress Argento
44 Out of harm's way
46 Gross
47 Couturier Schiaparelli
48 Coaster
51 Took the trophy



Sudoku

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2				1	3			
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4	9					3		
	3	5	6				7	

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Friday's Sudoku

6	8	2	7	1	9	4	5	3
1	3	4	5	8	2	6	9	7
9	7	5	6	4	3	8	2	1
7	4	8	9	2	1	3	6	5
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2	5	1	4	3	6	9	7	8
5	1	3	2	9	8	7	4	6
8	9	6	1	7	4	5	3	2
4	2	7	3	6	5	1	8	9

Friday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play
This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: DURING THEIR COSMIC OUTINGS, THE THIRSTY ALIENS LIKED TO MAKE A STOP BY THE SPACE BAR.

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Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You will rise to whatever challenges fate sends your way.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Listen to what other people tell you today, even if – especially if – it's not something you are happy to hear.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. You may be good at something and rightly proud of your talent but don't start thinking you are the best in the business.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. It may seem as if someone in authority is giving you a hard time for no good reason but from their point of view they have every reason to be annoyed.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. Promise yourself that you will not get involved in any kind of argument or dispute today.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Are you thinking with your heart or are you thinking with your head?

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. If a partnership is not working out the way you hoped, maybe you have been expecting too much of it.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. It might be best to keep certain thoughts to yourself, especially if they are the kind of thoughts that could get you into trouble with the powers that be!

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Keep telling yourself that no matter what certain people are saying and no matter how much they doubt your abilities you are on the right track.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. What's done is done and cannot be undone, so forget about the past and look to the future.

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